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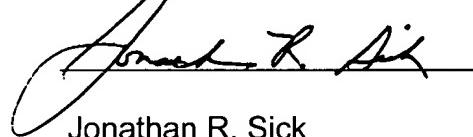
Docket No. 06029USA  
(MHM File No. 13182US01)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

PATENT APPLICATION OF: )  
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 John Irven and )  
 Benjamin Hertzler )  
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 SERIAL NO.: 09/644,193 )  
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 FILED: August 18, 2000 )  
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 FOR: Sub-atmospheric Gas Delivery )  
 Method and Apparatus )  
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 EXAMINER: Walton, G.L. )  
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 GROUP ART UNIT: 3753 )  
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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Each item listed below is transmitted with this transmittal letter:

- a response to the October 4, 2001 Office Action in the above-identified application, entitled Amendment And Claim For Priority Under 35 U.S.C. § 120
- an *unexecuted* Supplemental Declaration;
- a Petition for Two-Month Extension of Time to extend the time for response to the October 4, 2001 Office Action; and,
- a check in the amount of \$390.00 for response within two months after the time period set for response, pursuant to 37 C.F.R.

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1.17(a)(2), is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which are presently required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 13-0017.

Dated: March 4, 2002

Respectfully submitted,

  
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